

# HEAVY FIRING MARKS THIRD DAY IN STRIKE

Several Towns in Mingo Mine Zone Under Attack.

FEDERAL TROOPS READY TO GO IN

Harding Prepares Martial Law Order to Meet Any Emergency.

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., May 14.—The heaviest fighting of the three-day mine workers' war in Mingo County broke out at noon today. Fighting factions hidden in the West Virginia and Kentucky hills let loose repeated volleys. Blackberry City and Albion, Gates, Spriggs, New Howard, and Merrimac were subjected to hot fusillades.

State Police on Move.

Capt. J. R. Brockus, with a detachment of State police, commanded special trains and started for the Tug River valley section. A concerted attack on Matewan opened shortly after the general battle was resumed, it was reported here. Fighting in the streets there was reported.

Forty men from Freeburn, Ky., reinforced the force at Albion yesterday.

A concerted attack was made on the town of Rawl yesterday from the West Virginia mountains. The attack was timed to trap workers leaving the town.

Firing Continues.

Firing has continued throughout the two days with sporadic, spirited attacks on Rawl, Spriggs, Blackberry City, Gates, New Howard, Merrimac, and Albion. McCarty, Ky., has escaped much of the hostilities, and an additional arrest was made by Pike County officials when they attacked the snipers at Merrimac from the rear. The attackers escaped under cover of a sharp fire but Richard Beverly, a prominent miner, was taken to Pikeville. He refused to make any statement. He is said to be a striker.

The Tug River valley was in darkness last night except for the bright light of the light wires of the Kentucky and Tug River Company had been shot down. Telephone communication also was severed.

Refugees from Gates, New Howard and Spriggs continued straggling into Williamson.

Slain Man Found.

The body of an unidentified victim was found today near Spriggs, on the Kentucky side of the river.

An unconfirmed report here was that the bodies of Dan White, C. W. Smith or Goshin, and other dead and wounded were still lying on the ground in the battle zone. They could not be rescued because of the spasmotic shooting which has continued since the battle opened Thursday morning.

Train Moves Secretly.

Destination of the special train bearing State police was kept secret. Belief here was the train would run the gauntlet of fire to New Howard in an attempt to effect a truce. New Howard was reported under particularly heavy fire. Every house in the colony was reported bullet riddled.

A large force of men descended from the Kentucky mountains and opened fire on Merrimac at close range. The attackers were reported ready to cross the river into West Virginia.

Further Fighting Means Interference by U. S. Troops

Further warfare in the Mingo County coal field will bring a Federal declaration of martial law.

Two proclamations of martial law—one covering Kentucky, and the other West Virginia—have been drawn up and signed by President Harding. They will be issued if the fighting between union and non-union miners, which has caused loss of life and property destruction, goes on.

This action was decided on late yesterday at a conference between President Harding and Secretary of War Weeks after they had received frantic appeals from West Virginia citizens telling of deaths from the bullets of the snipers in the Kentucky hills, and expressing fear that property would be dynamited last night.

Only a telegram from State authorities indicating that they believed that the situation might now be met by civil authorities, preventing further bloodshed, was received. The law proclamations as soon as they were signed by the President. There was the utmost haste in drawing them up.

Officer Gets Order.

Previous to seeing these messages and others of a similar nature, Weeks had given Maj. Gen. George W. Reed, commanding the Fifth army corps area at Indianapolis, orders to send to Mingo as large a body of troops as he believed necessary.

The intervention of the Federal government in the mine war also will probably bring to a head a Congressional investigation of the trouble.

Franklin Appeals Arrive.

Two telegrams appealing for martial law were brought to the White House by Senator George W. Wilson, of Huntington, W. Va. In the name of God and humanity, please hurry Federal aid to Matewan. Our citizens are being

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# Troopers in Death-Defying Race Win Harding's Cheers

Gen. Mitchell's Little Daughter, Riding "Home Again," Vies With Troopers in Favor Of Horse Show Crowd.

Fancy-stepping show horses and even a hard ridden fat race failed to distract the attention of President Harding from the distinguished company in his box at the opening of the National Capital Horse Show yesterday afternoon.

But when eight troopers from Fort Myer placed one foot on the back of each of many pairs of hard-headed cavalry horses and circled the track twice at a pace that was literally death-defying, he found himself standing, as everyone else was, shouting and cheering lustily for a horseman who was emerging from a cloud of mud and dust a short length in the lead. It was the Roman race, on which the United States cavalry has the copyright, so far as speed and efficiency is concerned.

Running the Roman racers a dead heat, pretty little Harriet Mitchell, 11-year-old daughter of Brig. Gen. Mitchell, rode herself into the heart of everyone when she sent "Home Again" over the timber with the skill and daring of a veteran hunter. President Harding invited her to his box and congratulated her on the remarkable exhibition of horsemanship.

The Presidential party was delayed in reaching the horse show until just prior to the time scheduled for the beginning of the races, but the management staged an impromptu review when each of the ribbon winners in the eleven classes were put through an exhibition, once around. It was in this exhibition that little Miss Mitchell made her third appearance of the day.

Da Pont Team Wins.

Other headlines selected for the special exhibition included the du Pont hunting team, Silver Tip and Hexagon. The pair won the blue ribbon in the pair of hunters class, second place going to Zeppelin and Tarry Not, ridden by Col. Cooks, of Fort Myer, and Capt. John A. Hanger.

To horse show fans the class for thoroughbred hunters was one of the most interesting events of the day. The class brought before the judges for the first time together some of the most sensational stars of the tank—Nancy Pansy, of Foxcatcher Farms, and Anne Ford, belonging to Spencer Daley. Anne Ford was the champion of last year's show here, but Nancy Pansy, probably one of the most sensational show ring mares ever bred in this country, had not appeared before Washington horse enthusiasts for several years. In the event Nancy

# CONGRESS RACES COURT TO PREVENT LANDING OF CABLE

Western Union Blocked Because of British Ownership.

A race is on between the Western Union Telegraph Company, the State Department, Congress, and the United States Supreme Court over connecting up the telegraph company's cable from Barbados with Miami, Fla.

Acting under admitted pressure from the State Department, the House Interstate Commerce Committee yesterday voted to report for final passage tomorrow the Kellogg bill prohibiting the company from laying the cable within the three-mile limit.

Decision Due Tomorrow.

The Supreme Court tomorrow is expected to hand down its decision on the suit brought by the Western Union company to restrain President Harding and the State Department from interfering with the laying of the cable.

State Department officials, according to members of the House committee, fear the Supreme Court may decide against the sharp fire.

The committee hopes to forestall the court's decision by calling up the bill as soon as the House meets tomorrow and passing it without debate before the Supreme Court could hand down its decision.

Has Passed Senate.

The committee yesterday voted to ask the House Rules Committee tomorrow morning for a special rule on the bill, so that it can be called up for the first floor, where it has passed the Senate. The measure already has passed the Senate. The House committee will ask the Rules Committee to substitute the Senate bill for a similar measure, introduced by Representative Chittenden of Illinois, that is now on the House calendar.

The telegraph company, armed with a permit from President Wilson, had finished laying the cable last fall and was preparing to connect it within the three-mile limit at Miami, Fla., when the Navy Department stepped in and prevented it.

The State Department supported the Navy Department's action, charging that the cable was British-owned. A controversy over the Western Union company's contract with the British owners of the cable ensued, and culminated in President Wilson revoking the permit. The company then brought suit for the right to land the cable.

Should President Harding sign the Kellogg bill before the Supreme Court hands down its decision, company officials claimed, the cable has been given the disputed power, and there would be no question before the Supreme Court to decide.

# DRIVEN INSANE BY SON'S SUICIDE, HE DEFIES ARREST

Virginian Is Taken After Holding Officers at Bay for Hours.

Defying arrest under a threat to take his own life, William Dabney, 52 years old, who suddenly became insane yesterday over receipt of news of the suicide of his soldier son in France, held Arlington County officials at bay for several hours before being captured last night at 615 near his home, about a mile west of Alexandria.

Taken to Arlington Jail.

He was finally captured by Deputy Sheriff J. O. Kines, G. F. Marcey and Arthur H. Richards, who overpowered him by leaping from an automobile as Dabney was about to start his car. He was taken to the Arlington County jail, where he will be held under investigation.

Dabney was brooding over the death of his son, Garland, 20 years old, who, according to the War Department, took his own life in France twenty-four hours after he married a French girl.

Drove Family From Home.

Dabney suddenly became deranged and chased his wife and four children from the home, also his sister, with her 4-year-old daughter, who was visiting at his home. They took refuge with the family of Sheriff Arthur H. Richards, a neighbor, who organized a posse to capture Dabney.

Warned He Would Shoot.

When they arrived at the Dabney home he barricaded himself in the rear of the first floor, where he held the officers at bay with a double-barreled shotgun.

Several attempts were made to storm the door, but each time Dabney fired and the officers had to retreat. He threatened to "shoot to kill" if they took a step nearer the home.

Said Good-bye to Family.

The officers finally spoke to Dabney of his unkind treatment to his family and he asked that his family be told to come home.

When they had returned Dabney bade them good-bye and still armed with his gun, walked down the state road. At a short distance from the house he was captured by the three Arlington officers.

Dabney is employed as a car inspector at the Potomac freight yards and was considered a sane and consistent worker. Yesterday when Dabney was notified that his son's body had arrived in New York City, he realized the extent of his son's suicide was true. This caused his complete mental derangement, officials believe.

# AMERICAN CABLE RIGHTS PROTECTED, PERU CLAIMS

Peru has assured the United States government that the American cable and radio interests in that country will not be damaged by the concession to operate telegraphs, radio and posts recently granted to the Marconi Company, a British concern, it was learned yesterday.

These assurances were in response to an inquiry which the State Department instructed the American ambassador in Lima, William E. Gonnale, to make to assure this government that the interests of the All America Cable Company in Peru were not prejudiced by the concession to the Marconi Company, which was granted on May 1.

The assurances from Peru are understood to close the question, although the State Department is watching the communication situation in Peru and all other South American countries.

# SOLDIERS BURNED IN LAUNCH BLAZE

NEW YORK, May 14.—Shipping in the harbor was temporarily menaced when U. S. army mine layer No. 461, a fifty-foot gasoline launch, exploded today. Four of the five soldiers aboard were seriously burned.

A fire boat towed the burning launch into midharbor and half filled it with water, quenching the flames.

Mrs. Hamon Suffers Release.

CHICAGO, May 14.—Mrs. John Hamon, widow of the Oklahoma oil millionaire and politician, was under the care of a physician at her home here today. She suffered a nervous breakdown. Mrs. Hamon was said to have been ill since the trial of Clara Smith Hamon on a charge of murdering Jake Hamon.

# RUNAWAY AUTO KILLS 2 BABES; GIRL IS INJURED

Smashes Perambulator, And Breaks Neck Of Infant.

BOY OF FIVE DIES HALF HOUR LATER

Truck Operator Is Held To Await Outcome Of Inquest.

Crushed beneath the wheels of a five-ton runaway auto truck, two small children of Isaac Milloff, 213 Third street southwest, were killed yesterday and the third was seriously injured when the big, driverless car bore down on a baby coach holding the 7-week-old infant in charge of the brother and sister, near the father's store.

The neck of the 7-week-old son, Jacob, was broken when hurled from the baby coach by the impact of the powerful truck. Benjamin, the 5-year-old boy, who was standing beside his 6-year-old sister, Jennie, received injuries that caused his death a half hour later in Emergency Hospital. His skull was fractured.

Little Girl Badly Bruised.

The little girl was treated at Casualty Hospital for abrasions and bruises of the body and left thigh. She was later removed to the home of the stricken parents, who are suffering from the shock of losing two youngest members of the family.

Edward Brown, colored, 1219 Half street southwest, operator of a Cudahy Packing Company truck, is being held at the Fourth precinct to await the outcome of the inquest to be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock by Coroner Nevitt.

The truck was proceeding south on Third street about 1 o'clock and crashed into a touring car driven by Daniel S. Woodland, colored, 1210 C street southwest, which was proceeding west on B street at the intersection witnesses said. The Woodland machine was badly damaged.

Small Carriage Smashed.

Following this collision, Brown, according to the police, leaped his truck, which mounted the curb and bore down on the baby carriage. The small carriage became tangled in front of the machine, which embedded itself in the entrance of the house at 207 Third street. The perambulator was smashed between the runaway truck and house.

Capt. E. R. Lewis, of the Army Engineer Corps, rushed the three children to the Emergency Hospital, but the youngest was dead, and the little boy was beyond medical aid. The girl was later taken to the Casualty Hospital.

The bodies were removed to the District morgue.

# WIDOW ASSERTS FOUR HUSBANDS DIED OF TYPHOID

Mrs. Southard Declares She Is Carrier of Deadly Fever Germs.

(Special Cable to The Washington Herald and United Press.)

HONOLULU, May 14.—Mrs. Lydia Southard, alleged feminine Bluebeard, said today that she believed she is a typhoid carrier and that this explains the deaths of four of her husbands and a brother-in-law.

"I am innocent of any wrongdoing, but I do believe that I may be a typhoid carrier," she said in an exclusive interview. "All of my physicians certificates to prove it."

Held here on suspicion of having made away with the five men by poisoning, Mrs. Southard was young and pretty at first maintained stubborn silence.

Breaks Long Silence.

"I believe I am a natural typhoid fever carrier," she declared. "All of my husbands died of typhoid," she said calmly, with no manifestation of emotion. "I have physicians certificates to prove it."

"When Mr. Meyer, my last husband, died, I had three doctors hold a post mortem examination. They found that the typhoid bacteria had been in his system. He had typhoid had developed and had caused his death."

"Other physicians found that my other three husbands had died from typhoid fever likewise."

Plans Hunger Strike.

Officials of the Oahu prison, where Mrs. Southard is confined, today declared she was trying to go on a hunger strike.

Chief McDuffie learned that, although she told him she was eating regularly, she has taken no food since her arrest last Wednesday. He immediately ordered eggs and several tempting dishes prepared in an effort to make her eat.

Mrs. Southard declared today that her present husband, Paul Vincent Southard, chief of police of the U. S. Monitor Monterey, did not know that she had had four previous husbands.

Denies Typhoid Deaths.

TWIN FALLS, May 14.—Denial that there are doctor's certificates proving that all four of Mrs. Lydia Southard's deceased husbands were victims of typhoid was made by Prosecuting Attorney F. L. Stephen today.

"McGaffey, her second husband," he said, "was supposed to have died from pneumonia. According to our information, Lewis, the third husband, was apparently the victim of gastro-enteritis, a severe intestinal disturbance, so a Billings, Mont., physician, certifies. Meyer, No. 4, and his brother, were said to be typhoid victims."

"But regardless of what the physicians' certificates said, we found evidence of arsenic poison in the victims' stomachs. No, there is nothing to the typhoid story."

# SENATE TO VOTE ON DISARMAMENT EARLY THIS WEEK

Navy Bill Advocates Hope To Pass It Before Wednesday.

The Senate is expected to decide the disarmament question early this week.

Senators in charge of the naval appropriation bill hope to pass it by Tuesday or Wednesday at the latest. To prevent a filibuster against it by disarmament advocates, headed by Senator Borah, they may not raise a point of order against Borah's amendment for an international disarmament conference, the United States, Great Britain and Japan to take part.

May Vote Directly.

If the point of order is not raised, the Senate will be allowed to vote directly on the bill. If such a vote is obtained, Borah and other disarmament advocates claim they will have substantial support and may win. They expect many Democratic votes and have been promised the support of such conservative Republicans as Charles McNary. Such a combination would be an exact majority of the Senate. But some Republicans regarded as pledged to Borah's cause are considered likely to be guided by President Harding's wishes. If they are convinced he regards the action inopportune, they will vote against Borah on the ground that they do not wish to embarrass the President.

Negotiations are under way between administration leaders and Borah's group to fix a time for a vote, and to decide whether the point of order will be raised. If it is, Borah will move to suspend the rules, to make his proposal in order. This requires two-thirds of the Senate.

# Texas Escaped Convicts Taken Near Huntsville

HUNTSVILLE, Tex., May 14.—Six ring leaders of the State penitentiary in which forty convict escaped Thursday, have been captured. They were caught in the woods twenty-four miles west of here today.

Seeks 1,000 Recruits.

In an effort to increase the membership of the Retired Federal Employees' Federation, officials of the federation have started a campaign for 1,000 recruits. Recruits should apply for membership at 1423 New York avenue northwest at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

# BRITISH STRIKERS ASK EUROPE'S AID

LONDON, May 14.—British labor leaders today called upon the workers of continental Europe to declare a fuel blockade against Great Britain.

Representatives of the railway and transport union, in a joint conference last night, decided to call the attention of their associates on the continent to the decision of the Geneva labor conference, under which all European workers would be required to co-operate with the striking British miners in tightening the embargo against importation of coal.

Sues Former Husband For Breach of Promise

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 14.—Mrs. Sarah E. Goodmer is suing her former husband, George W. Goodmer, for breach of promise.

They were married in 1912 and divorced in 1919. Later, she charges, her former husband promised to marry her again. She asks \$10,000 heart balm.

# BRITAIN WARNS OF WAR RENEWAL; COERCION OF POLES BY ALLIES WILL BRING ON CHAOS, SAYS ENVOY

Lubomirski Says Lloyd Gives Poland French Aid

George's Speech Is That of Lunatic.

DENIES WARSAW AIDED INSURGENTS

Fears British Premier Aims to Give Silesia To Germany.

Mid-Europe will again be drenched in blood if the allies attempt to forcibly hand back to Germany the part of Upper Silesia now held by Polish insurgents, Prince Lubomirski, Polish Minister to the United States, declared in an interview yesterday.

"The speech of a lunatic," is the way Prince Lubomirski characterized Premier Lloyd George's denunciation of Poland and the British house of commons.

Calls Lloyd George Dissembler.

"Lloyd George's process as a deft dissembler is well known, but in this indictment of Polish honor, historical facts and the real substance of the Versailles treaty he has outdone himself," declared Lubomirski. "It is evident that the British premier has decided to hand over all of Upper Silesia to Germany, despite the plebiscite results held under the provisions of the treaty, which determined by popular vote that 44 communes of the province should rejoin Poland," exclaimed the prince.

Denies Poland Backs Rebels.

"It is absolutely false that the Polish government has openly or covertly aided the Polish inhabitants of Upper Silesia in forcibly seizing control of these communes. It is apparent that Korfanty and his people discovered the intention of Great Britain to give all of Upper Silesia back to Germany in defiance of the plebiscite results, and that they forestalled this action by arming themselves and taking control of their homeland. There are a million of Polish workers and peasants, men schooled in the German army and now with plenty of arms and ammunition. They will not submit to being tricked. If German troops are marched into the province, they will resist to the death. It is not necessary to be an alarmist to predict bloodshed and chaos."

Ordered Frontiers Closed.

"I have just received a cablegram from Warsaw stating that the Polish government has dispatched two commissioners to supervise the absolute closing of the frontiers which was ordered at the common plebiscite object, to be the Polish inhabitants of Upper Silesia were of recent settlement is absolutely absurd. Poles were the most of the Upper Silesia population long before the Saxon left his Germanic home and sailed for Britain."

It is Polish industry, not German, that is dependent upon retention of Upper Silesia, said Lubomirski. Germany's mining figures show that coal mined in Upper Silesia constitutes but 8.8 per cent of German requirements, while Polish industries depend on 40.4 of their coal from Upper Silesia.

Needs Poland's Iron Ore.

The Germans recognize that Upper Silesia is dependent upon Poland for iron ore for her furnaces, Poland upon Upper Silesia for coal, and in prewar publications it is argued by Pan-Germans that the ore-bearing parts of Poland were necessary for the life of the province of Upper Silesia, said Lubomirski.

# CALLS ON HUGHES FOR DATA ON NEW POLICY IN EUROPE

La Follette Offers Resolution; Mondell Forecasts Delay on Peace.

Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, yesterday introduced a resolution calling upon the Secretary of State for information regarding the appointment of representatives of the United States on the supreme council, the conference of ambassadors and the reparations commission. He requested that the resolution lie on the table, and will probably make a speech on the subject early this week.

Questions Harvey's Talk.

The resolution asked for information regarding what negotiations were had with representatives of foreign nations as a basis for the acceptance by the President of the invitation to appoint representatives of this country on the commission, and what instructions had been given them.

The resolution also asks what authority had been given to Ambassador Harvey to issue a statement upon his arrival in England, expressing the sympathy of the United States for Great Britain, and declaring that "there never was a time when America felt so keenly the moral obligations she owes to the mother country."

House Likely to Balk.

The House will insist upon an amendment to the Knox resolution as passed by the Senate two weeks ago, Republican Leader Mondell said yesterday.

The provision of the Knox resolution, to which certain House Republicans object, is the one repealing the war declaration. They hold that this might later be considered a repudiation of the principles for which the United States entered the war. Instead, they believe it is sufficient for this country to declare that a state of peace exists, as provided in the resolution of Chairman Porter of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Action on the peace resolution does not now appear probable until the week beginning May 23. Mondell said action this week was "possible, but not entirely probable."

Looks for Some Delay.

"The German acceptance has cleared up the situation to a great extent," said Mondell. "Other things, as we all know, are still in the way. But I believe we can expect these to clear up rapidly. What we desire is that it be taken up at the most opportune time."

"At best it would take several days after the Foreign Affairs Committee has been formally called to decide on the form of the resolution. The majority of the committee, I believe, are in favor of the Porter resolution. They do not think it necessary to repeal the war declaration as provided in the Knox resolution. I am inclined to think they are right."

# DYE PROVISIONS SPLIT CONFEREES

Penrose Predicts Agreement On Emergency Tariff Next Tuesday.

Little progress was made by the Senate and House conferees at their first meeting on the emergency tariff bill yesterday. The main points of difference developed were on the anti-dumping and dye-stuffs provisions.

Chairman Penrose, of the Senate Finance Committee, stated after the conference that he expected the points of difference could easily be boiled down to an agreement at the next meeting on Tuesday.

General tax revision recommendations by various business interests, labor groups and other organizations will be heard by the committee next week, Chairman Penrose announced yesterday.

Several witnesses remain to be heard on the Smoot bill proposing a general turnover sales tax and other many persons will be given an opportunity to present their taxation theories.

Haywood \$35,000 Short In Accounts, Is Report

CHICAGO, May 14.—A shortage of \$35,000 in the accounts of William D. (Big Bill) Haywood, I. W. W. leader, now in Russia, exists in the general defense funds of the organization, according to delegates attending the I. W. W. convention here.

"Big Bill" was custodian of the fund.

The accusation on the floor of the convention caused a near split in the ranks of the organization.

# RUSSO-GERMAN COMMERCIAL PACT SAID TO BE IN EFFECT

Germany and Russia have concluded a commercial treaty through unofficial, advises to the State Department yesterday.

This is the second treaty of peace and amity which Soviet Russia has signed with important nations. Still another pact is the offensive and defensive agreement with the National Turkish army, which obviates the chances of any serious attack on the Russian oil fields in Asia Minor.

The agreement with Germany is said to follow the general lines of that with Great Britain. Both were negotiated by the same diplomat, Krassin.

Germany is said to have been very anxious to conclude the agreement because of the effect it will have upon her problem of meeting the allied reparations demands. The more Germany increases her trade, the less difficulty she will have in making payments. The greatest field for raw products, German officials believe, is in Russia.

Speaking of this situation today, a high official said: "The agreement will not affect Germany's trade balance very considerably for a number of years. But Germany's object, as we understand it, is to enter the commercial and trade field simultaneously with Great Britain and France, and those nations which were neutrals during the war."

The treaty provides for a re-establishment of friendly relations, which will include exchange of prisoners and the mutual appointment of "commissioners" of trade.

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